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H. H. BERGER & CO.,

IMPORTERS OF

Select Japanese Nursery Stock,

NURSERIES:

TOKIO AND MUSASHI, JAPAN.

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SPECIAL NOTICE.

It is a well known and undisputed fact that Japan is a country highly favored by Nature. Among her Flora are trees and plants of surprising beauty—all more or less adapted for transplanting and propagating in the United States. Large quantities of plants are constantly exported from Japan, but too often being selected by persons ignorant on the subject, prove a cause of disappointment to the receivers.

A thorough study of the Japanese Botany, years of experience, and a long personal acquaintance with Japanese gardeners of noted standing, besides a yearly visit to Japan and personal selection of stock ordered, give us unequalled facilities for procuring the choicest, most select and healthy specimens of vigorous growth.

Our customers will secure from us what is truly valuable, new and desirable at a rate which defies competition.

All orders will be filled promptly, true to name and description; especial attention will be given to careful packing, labelling and delivery at time specified in order.

We request our customers to send order for plants or bulbs at earliest convenience as latter part of September and through October is the time we select stock in Japan.

Very liberal reductions on larger orders than single specimens.

Terms half cash with order, balance C. O. D. unless by special previous arragement.

A discount of five per cent. on all orders accompanied by cash.

Correspondence solicited. Information promptly given.

NOTICE.

We call the special attention of such of our customers, who own elegant houses and grounds, which they wish to adorn appropriately to our superb collections of

Chrysanthemums, Paeonias and Iris

which, as is well known, are among the choicest and rarest of Japanese flowers, attaining there the greatest perfection known to Horticulturists.

Our collections comprise distinct varieties of the most brilliant or most delicate colors.

ATTENTION,

Pictures painted perfectly true to Nature by Japanese artists sent on application for inspection and selection of varities desired.

Minute directions as to planting, treatment, kind of soil, and care of any plant sent by us to customers, given.

Ornamental Trees and Plants.

AZALEA MOLLIS.

This new Azalea which attracted so much attention among European and Eastern Horticulturists was first introduced on this coast by us a few years ago. It is a most magnificent plant. The flowers are large and abundant, bloom earlier than the Ghent Azaleas. They produce a dazzling effect when in bloom. Strikingly beautitul. Colors rose, salmon, yellow and crimson. Price $1 to $2 50.

Hardy outdoor plant.

AZALEA SINENSIS ALBA.

Of this charming variety we have two kinds. The flowers are large, pure white, an ornament to any conservatory. Also other sorts, double purple, lilac, carmine, striped, etc. Price from $1.00 to $2.00, according to size.

ANEMONE JAPONICA.

A most exquisite flowering plant. Pink or purple large star shaped flowers on long slender stems. Blooms profusely in autumn. Does well in clayey moist soil. Hardy. Price 50 cts.

ARONIA ASIATICA.

A beautiful, ornamental shrub. The white flowers appear in rich clusters in April or May, making with the foliage of light green a most charming effect. A sight of beauty on any lawn, especially against darker foliage. Price, $1.00.

BAMBUSA GIGANTEA.

A group of Bamboos is one of the most graceful sights in nature. We have thirty varieties of them, from the Giant Bamboo down to those growing only a few feet in height. The Giant Bamboo is the largest of the species, sending up shoots in one season from 30—40 feet, when once established in the soil. Plants we sold last year did well beyond expectation. They are quite hardy, and not only very ornamental but eminently useful. Price, $1.00 each.

CERCIDIPHYLLUM JAPONICUM.

A stately, most beautiful tree. Form, pyramidal. Leaves, heart-shaped and of a purplish tint, when young. Flowers, blood-red. An introduction of great rarity and novelty. Price, $2.00.

CHRYSANTHEMUM JAPONICUM.

The Chrysanthemum is the favorite flower of the Japanese. Of the numberless varieties they have produced we have selected the finest and most gorgeous or distinct in shape and color. A collection of our Chrysanthemums excels anything of the kind in beauty. Price, 35 cents each, or $4.00 a dozen.

As to treatment of Japanese Chrysanthemums we refer to "Article on Chrysanthemums" in Harper's Magazine of November, 1884.

CINNAMONUM CAMPHORA. (Camphor Tree.)

This interesting tree is quite hardy on this coast. From its branches is derived the camphor of commerce. It is an evergreen tree of most elegant growth, glossy leaves and very aromatic fragrance. Price, 50 cents to $1.00 each.

CINNAMONUM SERICEUM. (Cinnamon Tree.)

A highly interesting, ornamental evergreen tree. Its bark furnishes the **Cassiar Cinnamon** of Commerce. Very rare and novel. Price $1.00 to $10.00 each.

CAMELLIA JAPONICA.

Of this ever desirable elegant plant we have very fine bushy specimens, of the four best large flowering sorts: double white, pink, crimson, and variegated or striped. The plants we offer are as fine as can be found. They are excellently adapted for out-door growth on this coast, and no well appointed garden should be without them. Price, 75 cents to $10.00, according to size.

DAPHNE GENKWA.

Beautiful, slender, upright growing shrub, with long divergent branches, covered in spring simultaneously with the leaves with numerous clusters of lilac colored tubular flowers about an inch long, of an exquisite fragrance. Rare and most interesting plant of hardy growth. Price, $1.00.

DAPHNE ODORA ALBA.

This sweet flowering evergreen Daphne is one of the most desirable of all plants. Blossoms are pure white, fragrant. Does well out-doors. Price $1.00 to $1.50 for large plants.

DAPHNE ODORA RUBRA.

Fine variety. Leaves are beautifully variegated. Pink flowers, very sweet scented. Choice and novel. Price, $1.00 to $2.00.

GARDENIA FLORIDA. (Cape Jessamine.)

A most valuable plant for conservatory. The leaves are glossy, bright green. The flowers like wax, double, creamy white and delightfully fragrant. Price, 50 cents to $1.00 each.

ILLICIUM RELIGIOSUM ANISATUM.

Considered in Japan a holy or sacred plant. Is planted around temples and graves of the Emperors. Valuable for its evergreen glossy foliage, fine upright growth, attains a height of 20—25 feet. Flowers profusely in spring. Blossoms are yellow star shaped, composed of 12—15 petals. Very choice and ornamental. Price, 75 cents to $1.00.

IRIS KAEMPFERI.

This is without any doubt the finest of all Iris. A group of them is a wonderful sight. The flowers are gorgeous in the extreme. Of 140 varieties we have selected 20 of the best, largest and **double flowering**. They will bloom in July or August the first year. Of all late introductions from Japan or any other country, this is one of the best. Our varieties are all large, double flowering in white, blue, black, maroon, variegated, yellow, brown and all shades of colors between them. Cannot be described. A collection of them is a wonderful sight. Price from 50 to 75 cents each or $10 per set of twenty.

ILEX JAPONICUM.

A beatiful variety of Holly. Dark green spinous leaves, bright red berries in winter. Very hardy. Price 50 to 75 cents.

MAGNOLIA HYPOLEUCA.

New magnolia of great beauty. The leaves are a foot long with a red mid rib. Flowers white and of an exquisite fragrance. Price $2.00.

MAGNOLIA PARVIFLORA.

The most beautiful and striking of all Magnolias. The leaf is large and rich in color, but the flower is the gem. A cluster of stamens of crimson and orange color lie in the cup, while the petals close around it. The fragrance can scarcely be described. Extremely rare even in Japan. Price $3.00 to $5.00. Pot grown.

MAGNOLIA OBOVATA.

Very showy flower, cup-shaped, crimson purple outside, pearl colored within. Price, $1.50 to $2.00.

MAGNOLIA STELLATA.

Charming dwarf tree. Flowers, pure white, petals long and narrow. The fragrance is delicate. Blooms earlier than any other Magnolia. Price, $1.00 each.

NANDINA DOMESTICA.

An elegant plant with most beautiful foliage, variegating from green, yellow and richest scarlet and crimson. White flowers, later on bright red berries. Very showy and ornamental. Hardy out-doors. Price, 50 cents to $1.00.

OLEA FRAGRANS. (Fragrant Olive.

This rare and desirable evergreen plant comes from China. It is as hardy here as in its native country. The leaves are mixed with all chinese teas to which they impart an agreeable flavor. One plant is sufficient to fill a room with fragrance equal to that of Mignonette. Price, $1 00 to $2.00 for large plants, 50 cts. for small.

PAULOWNA IMPERIALIS. (Kiri.)

This is one of the most magnificent trees of Japan, it attains a height of 40 feet. If well watered it grows in one season from 10 to 15 feet. The leaves attain an almost incredible size, sometimes 2 feet across. The flowers appearing in March or April are very fragrant, of a beautiful shade of blue, resembling in shape most the Fox glove ("Digitalis Purpurea"), only much larger. They grow in upright spikes, like our Horsechestnut blossoms, giving, together with the rich foliage, a striking tropical effect. Most desirable for its quick growth. Price, 50 cents.

PAEONIA ARBOREA. (Tree Paeony).

This is one of the most showy of all plants. Japan has the reputation of producing the finest varieties. We have selected the best and most distinct in color. Have a delightful fragrance. They will make a magnificent show on any lawn. All shades of rose, pinks, scarlet rose, lilac, purple, deep red. Price $2.00 each. Very hardy.

PTEROSTYRAX CORYMBOSUM.

A new and valuable shrub, medium sized. Bark a beautiful silver grey, slender branches on which the fragrant flowers appear in May in pendant clusters. Price $1.00.

SCIADOPYTIS VERTICILLATA. (Umbrella Pine).

The rarest, best and most peculiar of all coniferous trees. The plants we secured are of the finest grown in Japan.

Descriptions of this conifer appeared in such popular monthlies as Harper's and Century a few years ago. Umbrella like tufts on horizontal branches. Unique and interesting. Price from $1.00 to $10.00, according to size.

SALISBURIA ADIANTIFOLIA, Variegata.

Called "Maidenhair tree', on account of the shape of its leaves being like the Maiden Hair Fern. A tall tree whose beauty is unique, the color of the leaves of the variety we offer is a light green variegated with golden yellow. A valuable acquisition to any garden. Bears a nutlike fruit resembling in taste the Chestnut. Can be eaten raw or roasted. Price, $1.00.

SKIMMIA JAPONICA.

Elegant shrub, evergreen, glossy leaves. Flowers appearing in spring are of pure white with a roseate tinge on the under side of the petals; most delicate fragrance, similar to Daphne. Berries of a bright scarlet, ripen in October, remaining on the branches until end of December, forming a beautiful contrast with the shining green leaves. No lover of rare shrubs should be without it. Price, $1.00.

STYRAX JAPONICA.

Most beautiful shrub, attains a height of 6 to 8 feet. Bell-shaped white flowers, very sweet scented, hang along the branches on long pedicels; bloom in May. Very desirable. Price, 75 cents.

STYRAX OBASSIA.

This very rare variety is of upright habit, the flowers are of a pure white in pendant clusters of a fragrance like the Hyacinth. The leaves large and bright green. It is but rarely found, even in Japan. Hardy. Price, $2.00.

TETRANTHERA JAPONICA.

A most rare tree, attains a height of 25 to 30 feet. Evergreen, glossy leaves. Blossoms in May, starry white flowers. Loves moisture. New and valuable. Price $2.00.

VIBURNUM PLICATUM. (Japanese Snowball.)

A new variety of Snow Ball. Pure white flowers, large and more solid than the common Snow Ball. Rich green leaves, pl cated or crinkled; is of elegant upright growth. Loves a shady place. Price $1.00.

Climbing Plants.

CLEMATIS STANS.

Of this fine variety we offer two sorts. Double blue, double white. Very rare. Price $1.00 to $1.50.

KADSURA JAPONICA.

A fine climbing plant with waxy white flowers and splendid glossy foliage. Rapid grower. Price 50 cts.

WISTERIA CHINENSIS.

A most beautiful species. Strong hardy climber, covered in May and June with rich blue flowers in pendulous clusters from 1 to 2 feet long, forming a magnificent sight. Best suited for veranda or arbor. Price $1.00.

WISTERIA JAPONICA.

Double white Wisteria. Finest of its kind. Racemes of flowers 2 feet long. Exquisite and rare. Price $1.00.

SHIZOPHRAGMA HYDRANGEOIDES. (Climbing Hydrangea).

Most interesting novelty. The large heart-shaped leaves appear in April, the clusters of white flowers in July the most remarkable effect being produced by large white, oval leaflets, appearing at the end of the flowering branches.

This plant will throw out roots and attach itself to rocks or trees. Price, 50 cents to $1.00.

Palms.

CHAMAEROPS EXCELSIA. (Japanese Fan Palm.)

A hardy Palm, growing 20—30 feet high. Leaves are fan-shaped and dark green. Very handsome. Price, $2.00.

RAPHIS FLABELLI FORMIS.

A Palm of most elegant appearance. Price, $2.00 to $5.00.

CYCAS REVOLUTA. (SAGO PALM.)

One of the best and most beautiful of all Palms. Branches come out straight from the root with a graceful curve at the end. Price, $1.00 to $10.00.

Ferns.

A collection of 50 varieties of Ferns is being made for us in Japan. Also the graceful Fern "Davallia Bullata," made up in all kinds of designs, such as wreaths, balls, ships, houses—which, when well watered, sprouts at once, covering the designs with a mantle of rich, tender foliage, like lace work.

Variegated and Dwarf Plants.

These wonderful productions of Japanese Horticulture are admired by everybody. They must be seen to be fully appreciated for their unique beauty. We have a good collection here and a large and complete one in preparation. Miniature Conifers, Junipers, Cherry, Plum trees, etc.

Orchids.

A rare chance to any lover of this exquisite plant is offered by us. Attention is being drawn more and more to these wonderful productions of nature. We refer to Article in Harper's Magazine of August, 1886.

Some beautiful specimens are found in Japan of which we have twelve of the choicest varieties equal in beauty to those found in South America.

They are all ground orchids, hardy out-doors in a sheltered place.

Japanese Maples.

These Maples are among the most charming of the introductions from Japan. For ornamental planting they are unequaled, and both in the Eastern States and Europe they are valued highly. The foliage is simply magnificent; a group of them on the lawn is a sight to be remembered. We have here a number of carefully selected plants from 2 to 4 feet high, representing the 15 rarest varieties. Price, $1.00 to $3.00 each, according to size and quality, or $10.00 for the collection of 12 sorts.

ACER POLYMORPHUM.

Leaves bright crimson in Spring.

A. P. ATROPURPUREUM.

A fine variety, with leaves of a beautiful purple tint. Showy.

A. P. FOLIIS ROSEO PICTIS.

Very elegant. Leaves variegated with pink and white.

A. P. SANGUINEUM.

A magnificent sort. Leaves of a superb blood-red color, producing a very fine effect.

A. P. DISSECTUM ATROPURPUREUM.

A rare variety, of a graceful, drooping habit. The finely cut leaves are of a rich purple color.

A. P. FOLIIS ROSEO PICTIS.

Leaves finely cut, and variegated with pink and white. Most rare and beautiful.

A. P. ROSEO MARGINATUM.

A most elegant sort. Leaves edged with rosy pink.

A. P. RETICULATUM.

Very distinct. Leaves with a white ground, covered with a network of translucent green. Superb.

A. P. PIENATIFIDUM ATROPURP.

One of the finest.

A. P. SANGUINEUM VARIEGATUM.

Leaves blood-red, variegated with pink. Strikingly beautiful.

A LATEUM AUREUM.

One of the rarest and best. Leaves variegated with a creamy white.

A JAPONICUM.

A grand variety. Elegant showy leaf, quite distinct from any other variety.

Lilies.

Japanese lilies have a reputation all over the world. There is a large number of varieties, of which we have discarded most, selecting only the best. The collection we offer is the best that can be made.

LILIUM AURATUM.

The golden-banded Queen of Lilies. Price, 25 cents each.

L. SPECIOSUM ALBUM PRAECOX.

A magnificent white Lily. Price, 35 cents each.

L. CONCOLOR.

Star-shaped flower of scarlet color. Price, 50 cents each.

L. LEICHTLINII.

A beautiful Lily. Flowers, golden yellow. Price, $1.00 each.

L. KRAMERI.

Another fine variety. Flowers, sometimes of a most delicate pink, sometimes pure white or tinged with pink. Price, 50 cents each.

L. LONGIFLORUM EXIMIUM.

A trumpet-shaped Lily of the purest white. Price, 25 cents each.

L. LONGIFL. EXIMIUM FOLIIS ALBO MARGINATIS.

A most elegant variety of the above, the leaves variegated with white. Very rare. Price, $2.00 each.

L. HANSONI.

A new fine Lily of striking beauty. Golden yellow. Price, $1.00.

L. THUNBERGIANUM FLORE PLENO.

Double flower of a fiery red. Price, 25 cents each.

L. BEMY.

Erect flowers of dark chocolate, almost black color. Price, 50 cents.

L. SPEC. RUBRUM.

A most showy Lily. Price, 35 to 50 cents each.

Fruit Trees.

The most important of Japanese Fruit-trees are the Persimmon, the Plums, Giant Chestnut, the large Quince and some varieties of Oranges.

The Persimmon is rightly considered a most valuable introduction. Having lived in Japan for years, and knowing the fruit from personal experience, we claim to be the only dealers and importers who know which sorts are really valuable and to be recommended. Trees, 5 sorts, 25 cents each, $2.50 a dozen.

THE GIANT CHESTNUT

is a good novelty. Travelers in Japan noticed it long ago for its immense size and fine flavor. As to size it is far superior, and as to flavor at least the equal of the Spanish Chestnut. Being quite hardy and coming into bearing when not more than five years old, it will prove the most desirable and profitable of all Chestnuts. Grafted trees, 50 cents.

PLUM TREES.

Of these we have two sorts, besides the one known as Kelsey's Japan Plum. One yellow egg-shaped and one large Plum of bluish red color. All very desirable. Price, 50 cents each.

ORANGE TREES.

Seven varieties. One seedless, one with edible skin, one round fruited and one oblong fruited Mandarin Orange. Price, $1.00 each.

QUINCE.

Very large fruit of fine flavor. Price, 50 cents.

CITRUS JAPONICA. (Japanese Citron Tree.)

Bears a small fruit, round or oblong, similar to the Mexican lime. Flowers appear in June, fruit ripens in October. Very refreshing, eaten raw, much used also for sweet preserves. The tree forms several feet above the ground a bushy crown of a round habit, making a very fine appearance. Hardy. Price, $1.00.

Seeds of the Choicest Japan Forest and other Trees, Shrubs, Etc.

The Seeds were expressly collected for us; they are fresh and arrived in excellent condition. They are of the most desirable Japanese plants.

Abies firma, wood white and fine.....per cone, 25 cents.
" **homolepis,** 30 feet high..... " 25 "
" **mariesi,** from the Northern Islands..... " 25 "
Pinus densiflora, rare and beautiful pine.....per oz. $1 00
Magnolia hypolenea.....per lb. $7 00 " 50 "
" **robus**..... " 25 "
Quercus dentala. Oak, bearing fruit..... " 20 "
" **serrata.** " " " ..... " 20 "
Cinnamonum camphora, (Camphor Tree).....per lb. $3 00 " 25 "
" **sericeum,** (Cinnamon ")..... " 6 00 " 50 "
Acer Polymorphum, (Japan Maple)..... " 50 "
Cercidiphyllum Japonicum, a stately, beautiful tree..... " 4 00
Chamaeciparis pisifera..... " 2 50
" **obtusa,** an imposing tree..... " 2 50
Sciadopytis verticillata, (Umbrella Pine)..... " 2 00
Distegocarpus cordata..... " 1 50
Stescalia platanifolia. Large leaved ornamental tree. Wood very light and tough..... " 1 00
Edgewoothia papyrifera, (Paper Tree)..... " 1 00
Eleaeocona cordata. Seeds furnish fine oil..... " 50 "
Ralopanax ricinifolium, from the Islands of Yezo. Big tree, fine timber. Doors of that wood are beautiful..... " 3 00
Rara Rena. Large tree, fruit resembles a cherry. Wood hard and ornamental..... " 1 00
Rosa Rogusa. A fine climbing rose.....per pkt. 50 cts. ½ " 2 50
Azalea Mollis. Yellow..... ¼ " 2 00
" " Red..... ¼ " 2 00
Iris Kaempferi. Best double varieties..... " 50 "
Lilium cordifolium, from Yezo. Collected from plants 12 feet high..... " 3 00
Cunninghamia sinensis, (Auracasia)..... " 3 00
Camellia Japonica ..... " 50 "
Fernstroemia Japonica. Very ornamental tree, red and yellow berries. Flowers fragrant..... " 50 "
Podocarpus nagesia. Handsome shrub..... " 50 "
Climbing Hydrangea..... 2 00
Japan Mammoth Chestnut.....per lb. 60 cents, per 10 lbs. 5 00
Salisburir adiantifolia (Maiden Hair Tree). ..... per oz. 35 "
Hosenia dulcis. Similar in habit to our Wild Pear Tree, flowers in July, fruit resembles the Bergamotte Pear.....per pkt. 25 "
Stauntonia hexaphylla. Nut-like fruit, ripens in August. Sweet taste.
Quercus glabra.....per oz. 20 "
Akebia quinata. Bears fruit in October. Strong hardy vine.
Staphylea Bumalda. Japanese Bladder Nut, ripens in Oct.
Eriobotria Japonica. Beautiful ornamental plant. Flowers in November, ripens fruit in May.
Aucuba Japonica. Beautiful variegated foliage, dark green with golden yellow spots. Very hardy, fast grower.....per pkt. 25 "
Cydonia Japonica. Scarlet flowering quince..... " 35 "
Skimmia Japonica (See description amongst plants)..... " 25 "
Nandina Domestica (Description amongst plants)..... " 25 "
Paulowna Imperialis. Most beautiful and useful of all Japanese shade trees; fastest growing tree, lovely in flower and foliage..... " 25 "

REFERENCES.

As to our standing and reliabilily, we would refer to any Leading Nursery Firms in the country, such as

MESSRS. ELLWANGER & BARRY, Rochester, N Y.
STORRS & HARRISON CO., Painesville, Ohio.
MESSRS. HALLOCK, SON & THORPE, Queen's, N. Y.
MESSRS. WM. PARRY, Parry, N. Y.
H. H. SANFORD, Dixie Nursery, Thomasville, Geo.

or to such well-known gentlemen as

CHAS. A. DANA, *N. Y. Sun.*
HENRY W. SARGENT, ESQ., Fishkill on-the-Hudson.
I. P. RIXFORD, ESQ., San Francisco *Bulletin.*

all of whom have been our customers for years.